

**Third Sunday of Advent - December 17, 2017**

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**



**MONDAY, December 18**  
No Mass

**TUESDAY, December 19**  
8:00am ~ Gloria Renz † (Sacred Heart) Fr. Paul  
8:30am ~ Mass at St Malachy's - Fr. Bruch

**WEDNESDAY, December 20**  
8:20am ~ Terry Garvey † ( Sacred Heart ) Fr. Paul  
8:30am ~ Mass at St John's - Fr. Bruch  
3:00pm ~ Paul Siegfried † (Westhaven) Fr. Paul

**THURSDAY, December 21**  
8:00am ~ Homer & Beatrice McCarthy - (Sacred Heart) Fr. Paul  
8:30am ~ Mass at St Malachy's - Fr. Bruch

**FRIDAY, December 22**  
8:00am ~ Reaching Every Child (Sacred Heart) - Fr. Paul  
8:30am ~ Mass at St John's - Fr. Bruch

**SATURDAY, December 23**  
4:00pm ~ Mass at St Malachy's - Fr. Paul  
5:30pm ~ Jim Keenan † (Sacred Heart) - Fr. Bruch

**SUNDAY, December 24**  
8:00am ~ Parish (Sacred Heart) - Fr. Bruch  
9:00am ~ Mass at St Malachy's - Fr. Paul  
10:00am ~ Deceased members of Boyd & Kline Family † (Sacred Heart) - Fr. Bruch  
11:00am ~ Mass at St John's - Fr. Paul  
4:00pm ~ Mass at St. Malachy's - Fr. Paul  
5:00pm ~ Jim Wetzeler † Jim & Martha Ballantyne † ( Sacred Heart ) Fr. Bruch  
10:00pm ~ Herb Dittmer † ( Sacred Heart) Fr. Paul  
† Indicates Deceased

**Readings for the Week of December 17, 2017**  
Mon, Dec 18: Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1 : 19-25  
Tues, Dec 19 Jgs 13:2-7/ Lk 1 :5-29  
Wed, Dec 20: Is 7 :10-14 / Lk 1 : 26-38  
Thurs, Dec 21: Sg 2:8-14 / Lk 1:39-45  
Fri, Dec 22: 1 Sm 1 :24-28 / Lk 1: 46-56  
Sat, Dec 23: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Lk 1:57-66



**Sharing God's Gifts**

**December & December Weekend**  
Adult Envelopes \$ 9,018.00  
Children's Envelopes- \$ 62.50  
Loose - \$ 431.65  
**Total - \$ 9,512.15**

**Thank You!**

**December Contributions**  
Weekly Budget \$11,153.85  
Received: \$ 10,966.50  
Includes Immaculate Conception - \$518.50

December 24 ~ No coffee or donuts

**EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

Please check out our new website for more upcoming at [www.sacredhrt.org](http://www.sacredhrt.org)

**Parish Office Hours**  
Monday - Wednesday - 8 to 4  
Tuesday - Thursday - 8:00 to 12:00  
Friday - 8 to 12:30

<p><b>Sunday, December 17</b> Scrip Sales after Masses 7:00pm ~ Christ renews his parish</p> <p><b>Monday, December 18</b> 9:00am ~ REC 9:00am ~ Scrip Orders Due 6:30pm ~ Choir</p> <p><b>Tuesday, December 19</b> 9:15am ~ Prayer Shawls</p> <p><b>Wednesday, December 20</b> 3:00 pm ~ Westhaven Mass</p> <p><b>Thursday, December 21</b> Last day of school before break</p>	<p><b>Friday, December 22</b> No School 7:30am ~ Rosary for our Nation Divine Mercy Chaplet</p> <p><b>Saturday, December 23</b> Church Cleaning ~ Katie Hagan 4:30-5:00pm ~ Reconciliation</p> <p><b>Sunday, December 24</b> No coffee and donuts No scrip sales</p>
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The Parish office will Closed December 22 at noon and December 25-26  
We will open December 27 at 8am

**The Babbling Bruch**

Joy creeps into the readings this week. We are closer to the moment when God takes on a human identity, becomes flesh, and dwells among us. God becoming human casts new light on our own identity.

Both Isaiah and John the Baptist wrestle with questions of identity. How about taking time to check on our own identity? Before discovering our true identity it is necessary to wade through what we've been told about ourselves from early on. What untruths about my own identity linger in my heart, blocking knowledge of who I really am; a beloved child of God. John said he was a voice. How would you describe yourself? A voice? A heart? An ear? An open hand? An iron fist? A backbone? Both Isaiah and John claimed to have been sent by God. In what way do you feel sent? To do what? To be what? Are you living your true and intended identity?

In this season of darkness John testifies to the light. How might you testify to the light in your words and actions? Where can you point to the light of Christ radiant in your family and parish life? St. Paul urges that people "test everything" and keep what is good. How open are you to testing new ideas? How confident are you that you know what is worth keeping and worth tossing?

**Campaign NEWS!!!!**

PLEASE! Everyone pass along the news! Once our maintenance projects on the church are complete, we WILL pursue the addition of our Parish Hall!!

The roof is next! When the windows are done we will move to the outside protective coverings!

Note: We did repair work to the stone of the church, our budget did not allow for full restoration. You will see natural wear of the stone, and flaking will continue

**God Bless you for believing in our future!**

**Pledge forms and payment envelopes are in the back of church !**



December 18th Father David Pepper Memorial Mass at 10am

Burial of Ashes at Sacred Heart Cemetery after Service

Lunch to follow at Sacred Heart Gym

**Year-End Contributions & Payments**

As we prepare for year end, please be mindful that donations must be **received or postmarked if mailed by December 31** in order to be deductible in 2017.

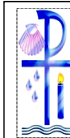
If postmarked or received after 12/31/17, the donation will be deductible in 2018.

To comply with federal law, we cannot accept donations in 2018 for 2017 or 2017 for 2018.

**Cross Catholic Outreach**

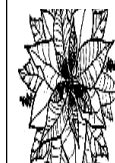
We welcome Father Farin of Cross Catholic Outreach who is speaking this weekend at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

A Faith sharing group is starting January 5, 2018. We will meet the 1st and 3rd Fridays of month in the KC hall after morning Mass, from 9:00am -10:30am. Please call Marilou Krumm If interested at 230-1831



**Welcome to the Sacred Heart Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism**

William Charlie Reicks



If you would like to order a Poinsettia to decorate the Church at Christmas in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please put your donation of any amount in an envelope with their name on it and either mail it to Sacred Heart Church, 915 12th St., Boone, IA 50036, drop it by the parish office or put it in the collection basket.

**Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church. Deadline is December 18, 2017.**



**Tree of Hope volunteers needed!**

We are in need of volunteers to sort, bag, and deliver our generous collection!

**If you have some time to help, please call - 432-1971**

**Monday, December 18 ~ 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Offices**

*Remember, if you know of a family in need of a better "December" PLEASE let us know! Call the Development Office - 432-1971, ext. 13.*

**Your call will be confidential, as will the assistance given.**

**Sacred Heart School Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 7:45-3:30 pm

515-432-4124 or go to [www.shboone.com](http://www.shboone.com)



**Upcoming Dates**

12/21/2017 ~ Last day of school before Christmas break  
Live Nativity 2:30pm - dismiss from the church  
12/22/2017 ~ NO SCHOOL - Teacher PD  
Christmas break - 12/22/2017 through 1/2/2018

**PREKINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Registration for the 2017-2018 prekindergarten class will start at 8:00 am, Monday, January 3rd. Please call the school office 432-4124 to register your child for your choice of morning or afternoon class. Sacred Heart is currently part of the Free 4 Year Old Grant Program. Children must be 4 years old by September 15, 2018 to attend for free under the grant. Five year old's may also attend for a reduced tuition fee.

**Christmas is Coming!**

**Get your Scrip orders in so we can get them to you!**

December 16 -18th is the last time to get your Scrip orders in, Next order will go in on January 8th

If you have not signed-up yet, or want more information on Scrip please call

Deanna at the Parish office 432-1971

**Christmas Eve Masses**

Sacred Heart Church - 5:00 pm  
Sacred Heart Adult Choir Special Music - 9:00 pm  
Sacred Heart Church - 10:00 pm  
Madrid St. Malachy's - 4:00 pm  
Ogden St. John's - 7:30 pm

**Christmas Day Masses**

Sacred Heart Church - 9:00 am  
Madrid St. Malachy's - 9:30 am

**Sunday, December 31st: Feast of the Holy Family**

8:00 am at Sacred Heart  
9:00 am at St Malachy's  
10:00 am at Sacred Heart  
11:00 am at St John's

**Evening Masses, Sunday December 31st : All Solemnity of Mary**

4:00pm at St Malachy's  
5:00pm at Sacred Heart

**Monday January 1st**

8:00am At St Malachy's  
9:00 am At Sacred Heart  
10:00 am At St John's

**Thank You!**

We have filled all of our M.L.T.F. tax credits!

